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It seems that we hear from Mr. Parton every week. We trust he has some other *pièce de resistance*, however, which will present him to the world as a *book-author* once more.

NOTE TO ARTICLE VI. OF THE JANUARY NUMBER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW:—

Dear Sir,—The honor of originating the plan for organizing emigration to the West, with the view of saving Kansas and the new Western States from the worst of evils, is one which will yet be regarded as among the most distinguished honors of this time. As your pages will be resorted to as history, I am anxious to put on record there the title of Mr. Eli Thayer to all this honor. He conceived the scheme, he arranged the working details of it, and by his comprehensive and ingenious combinations so adjusted it, in the beginning, that to practical men it has always seemed an eminently practical affair.

This statement is due from me, because, in your kind notice of my book on Kansas, there is an expression from which a careless reader might suppose that Mr. Thayer was working out suggestions of mine. Every one who knows the facts would ridicule this idea. I published in 1845 a pamphlet on Emigration to Texas, which no one read, and I could not induce any one to consider the idea. It contained no plan of operation. Although I never abandoned the fundamental idea of that pamphlet, I made no suggestion for carrying it out last year, nor had I any plan to propose. Mr. Thayer had never seen nor heard of my pamphlet, when he originated what I have no claim to,—the comprehensive scheme, only now beginning to be realized, for organizing Western Emigration.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD E. HALE.

WORCESTER, February 3, 1855.

NOTE TO ARTICLE IX. OF THE JANUARY NUMBER.

THE name of the artist who accompanied Bishop Berkeley to Rhode Island is *Smibert*, and was so written by the author of the article. The editor changed it into *Smilert*, on the authority of what he supposes to be the latest, and knows to be a carefully edited, edition of Berkeley's Works (London, Charles Daly, 1837); but before the number was issued, it was ascertained that the London editor himself was at fault.